

**Greater Morgantown
and Its Environments**



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FIFTY PAGES OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE TOWN'S PHENOMENAL DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCES. :: :: :: ::



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NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWO.



MORGANTOWN, the county seat of Monongalia county, was established as such by a special act of the Virginia Legislature sitting at Richmond, in May, 1785. The county is one of the richest in the State of West Virginia, containing some of the best oil fields and most extensive unbroken veins of coal in the country.

Morgantown affords excellent facilities for traffic, both by rail and water, being situated at the junction of two railroads, the Baltimore and Ohio and the Morgantown and Kingwood, and at the present head of navigation of the Monongahela river, so that boats leaving Morgantown can go direct to New Orleans. It is rapidly becoming an important manufacturing centre, and has already two large tumbler ware factories, an extensive window glass plant, with a second in course of construction, a woolen mill, two brick yards, one of which manufactures a fine quality of paving brick, and many other industries. The town is uniquely situated with reference to the manufacture of glass, by reason of the great field of natural gas lying around it, affording cheap fuel, in addition to fine sand and limestone deposits found in the vicinity.

Morgantown is the seat of the West Virginia University, with an enrollment of over nine hundred students, and beautifully situated on a bluff overlooking the picturesque Monongahela. It has good hotels, fine churches, beautiful homes and handsome public buildings. The State Agricultural Experiment Station is close to the University, and has a large farm about a mile from town, successfully conducted.

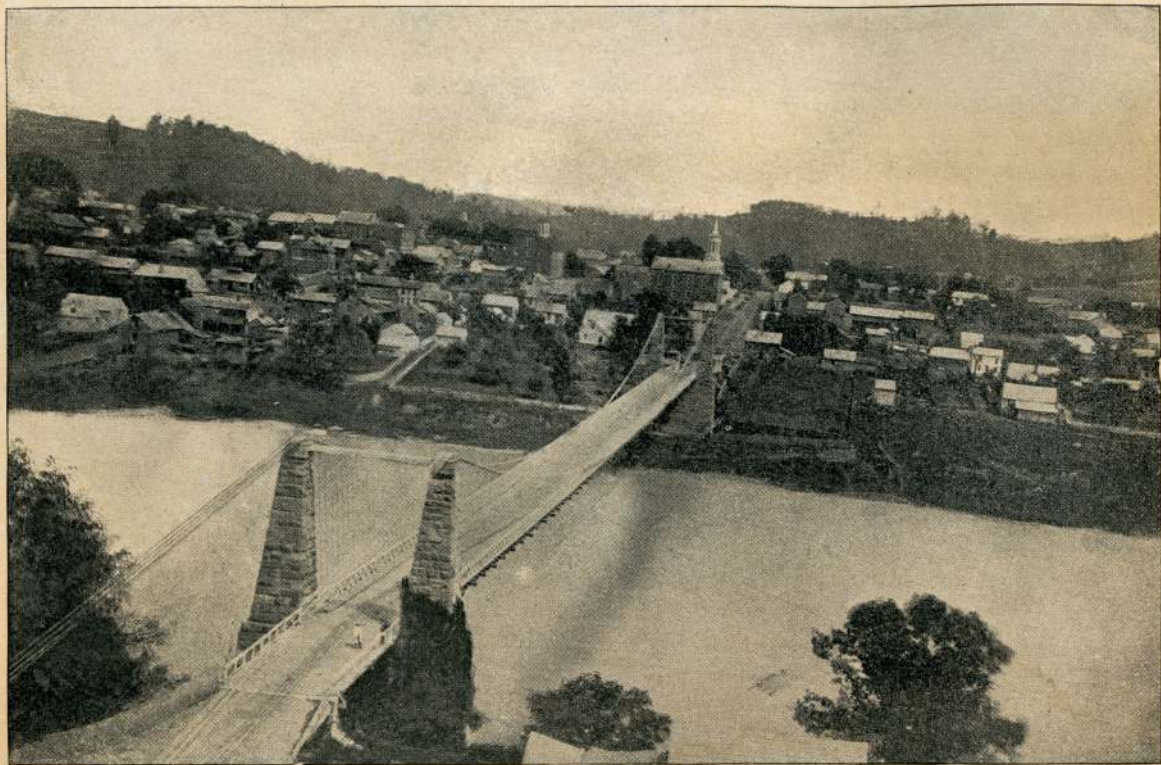
The town has many natural advantages, and these are supplemented by the modern adjuncts to a progressive town—paved streets, sewerage, gas, electric lights, telephones, and an abundant water supply, with an excellent system of filtration.

Morgantown's future is exceptionally promising. The phenomenal growth of the last five years is but an earnest of her coming development. With the slackwater system of navigation to Fairmont now in course of construction, the rapid development of the coal and coke industries, the inrush of manufacturers seeking cheap fuel and cheap raw materials, Morgantown the town will be Morgantown the city, within a generation.

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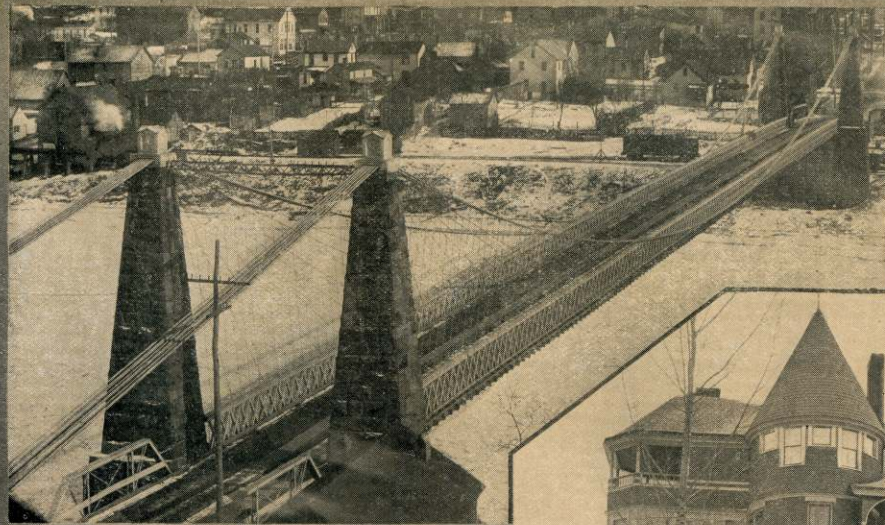
SCENE ON MONONGAHELA RIVER AT HANGING ROCK.



MORGANTOWN IN 1865.—POPULATION 684.

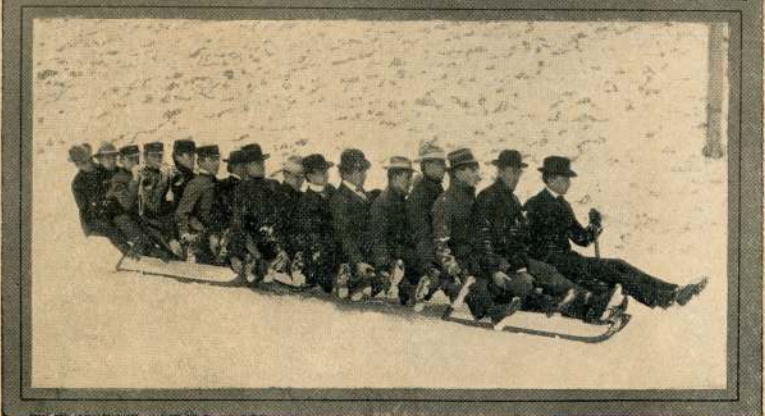
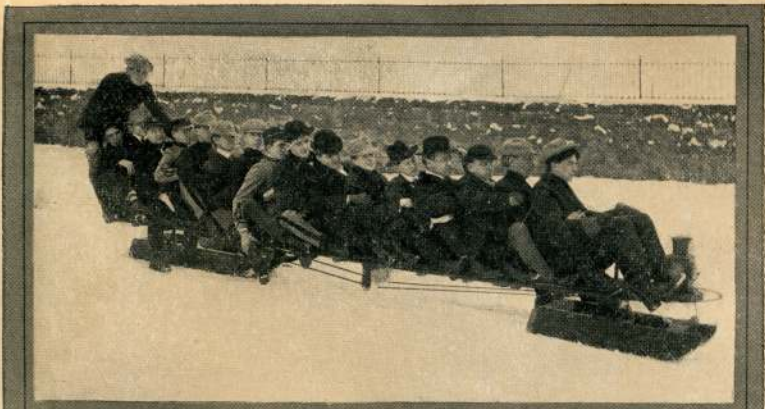


MORGANTOWN IN 1902.—POPULATION 7,000.

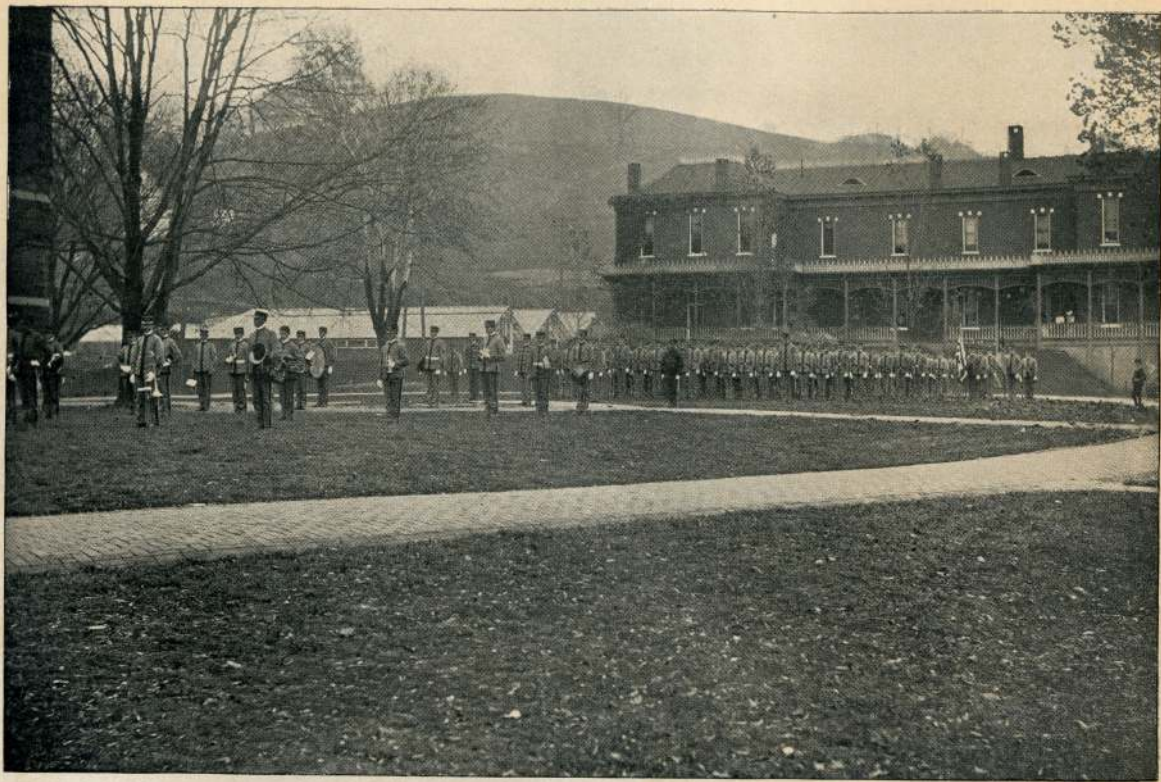


SUSPENSION BRIDGE. ERECTED 1852. COST \$45,000.

RESIDENCE OF DR. I. C. WHITE.



WINTER SPORTS.
Kappa Alpha.
Sigma Chi.



WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY CADETS AT DRILL ON CAMPUS.



SYCAMORE AND MAPLES, East Campus—W. Va. U.



NEW LIBRARY. WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, IN PROCESS OF CONSTRUCTION; COST OF BUILDING \$105,000.



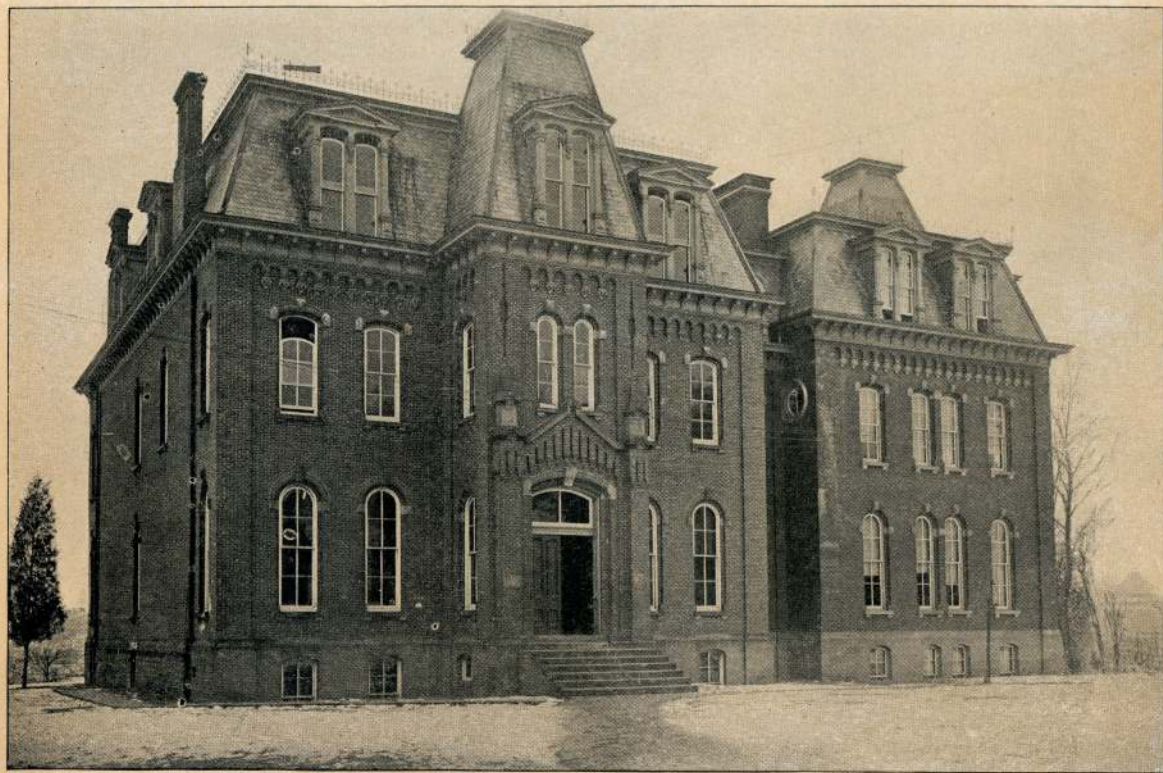
WEST VIRGINIA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.



MARTIN HALL, W. VA. U.



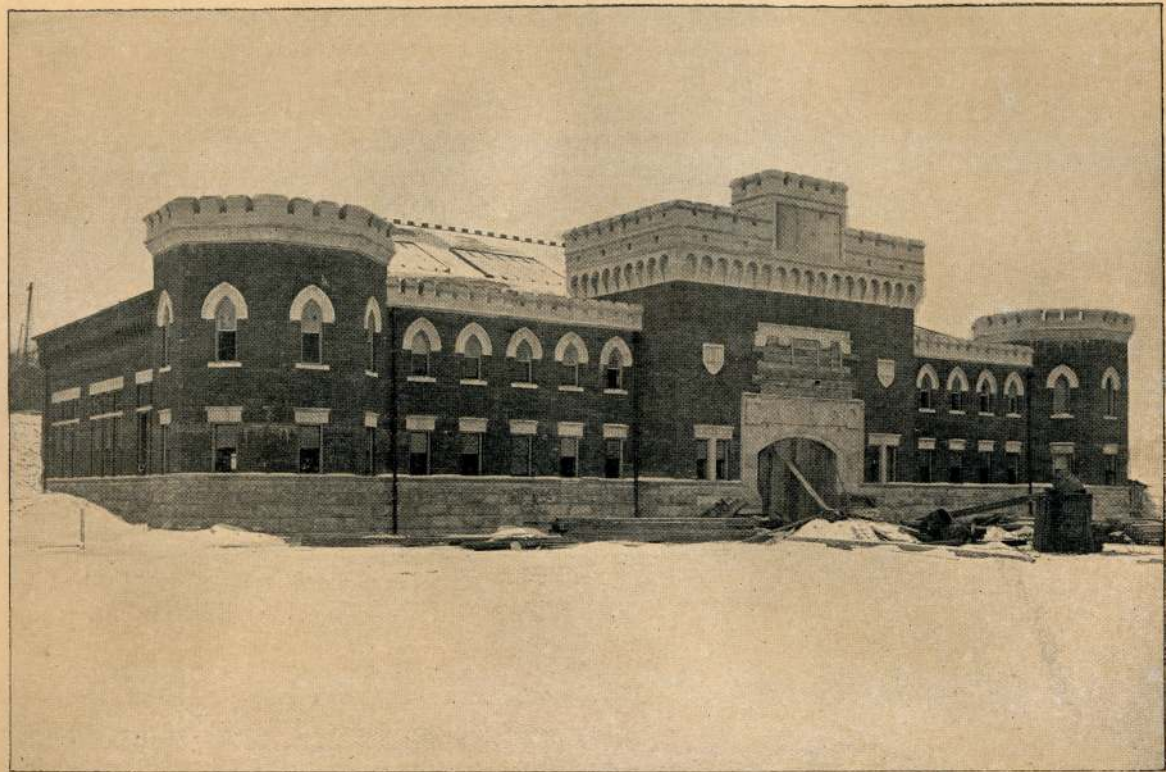
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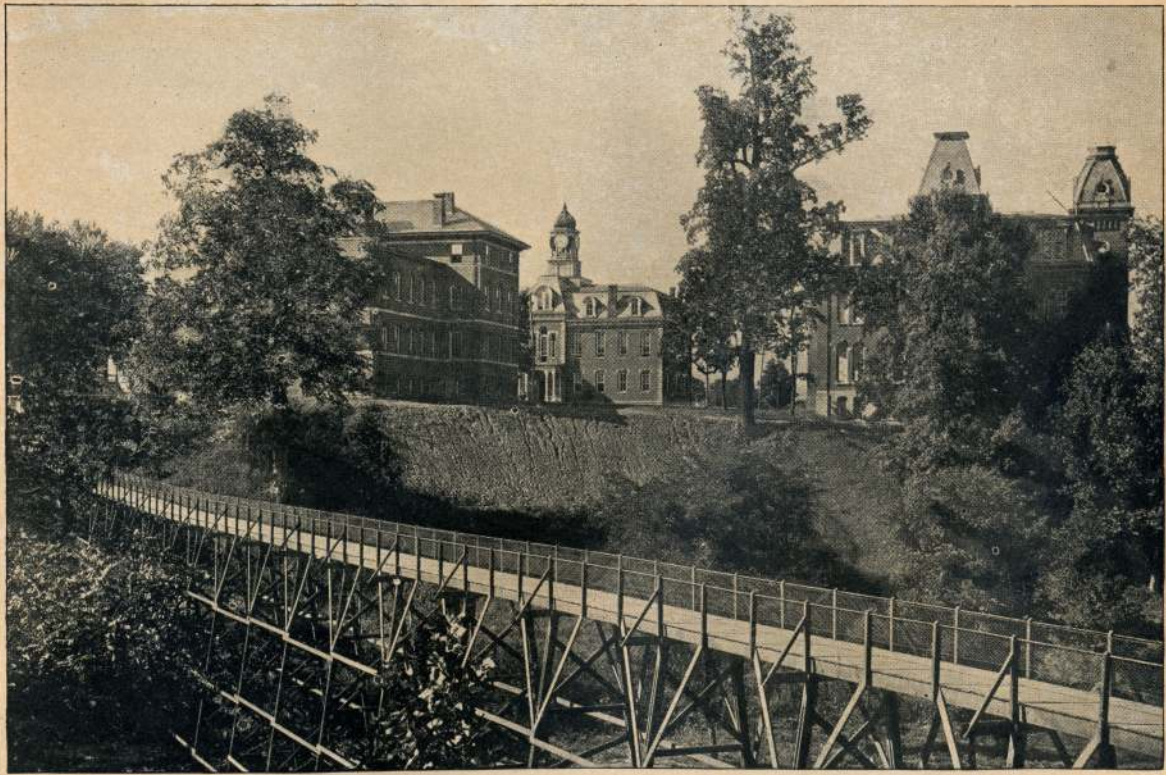
UNIVERSITY HALL, WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.



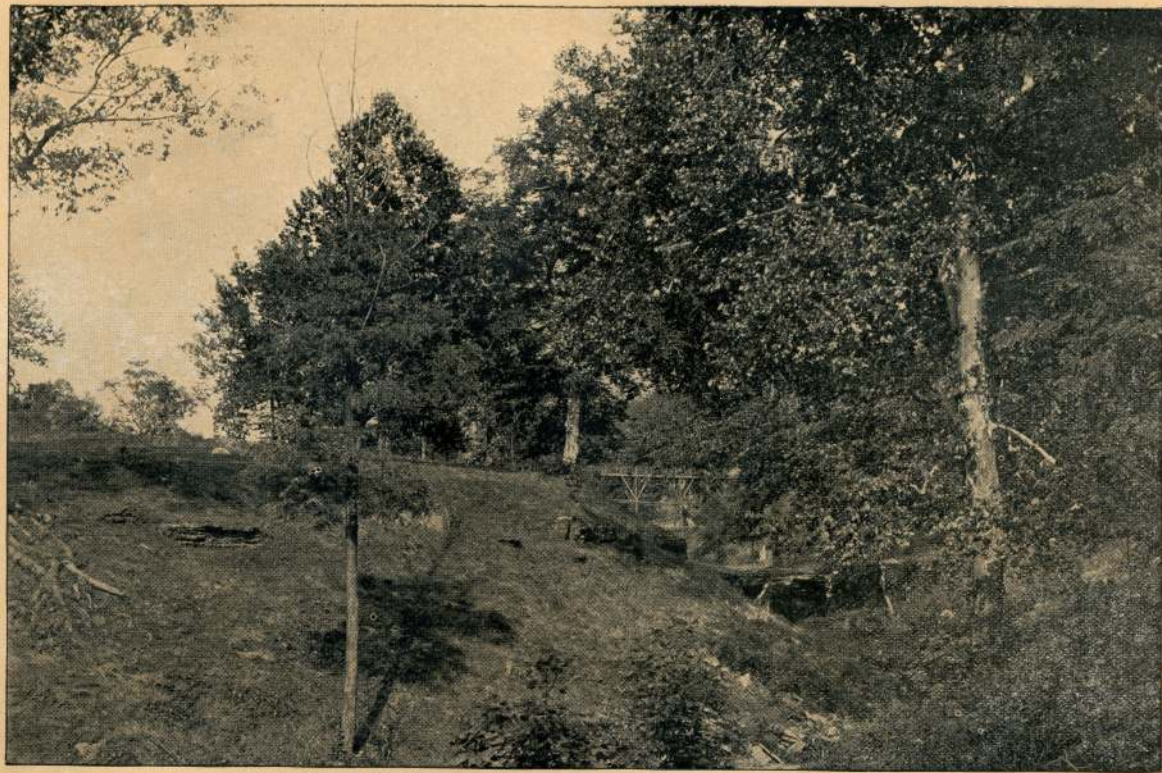
NEW MECHANICAL HALL, WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, NOW NEARING COMPLETION.
Cost of Building \$55,000.



NEW ARMORY, W. VA. U., in Process of Construction, Cost of Building, \$25,000.



NORTH CAMPUS AND BRIDGE, W. VA. U.



UP FALLING RUN—North Campus, W Va. U.



Dorsey's Knob.
Interior Library, W. Va. U.

Decker's Creek.
Quarry Run.



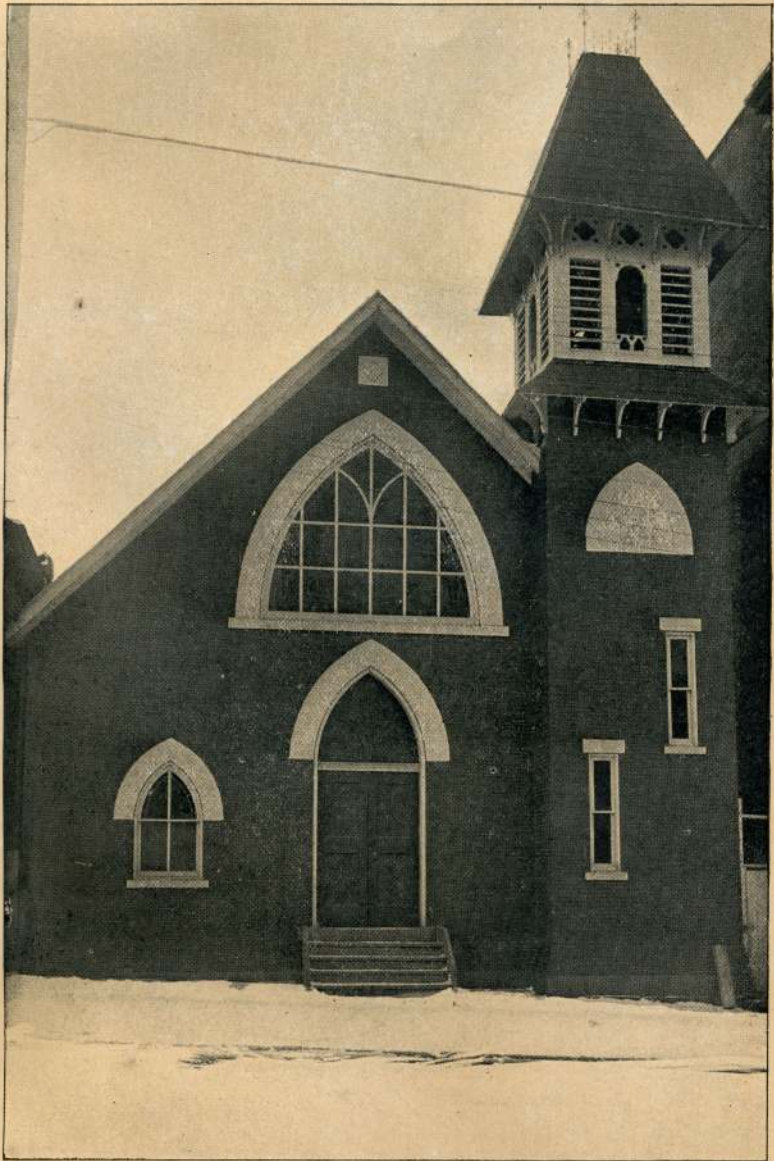
MORGANTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING—Cost of Building, \$42,000.



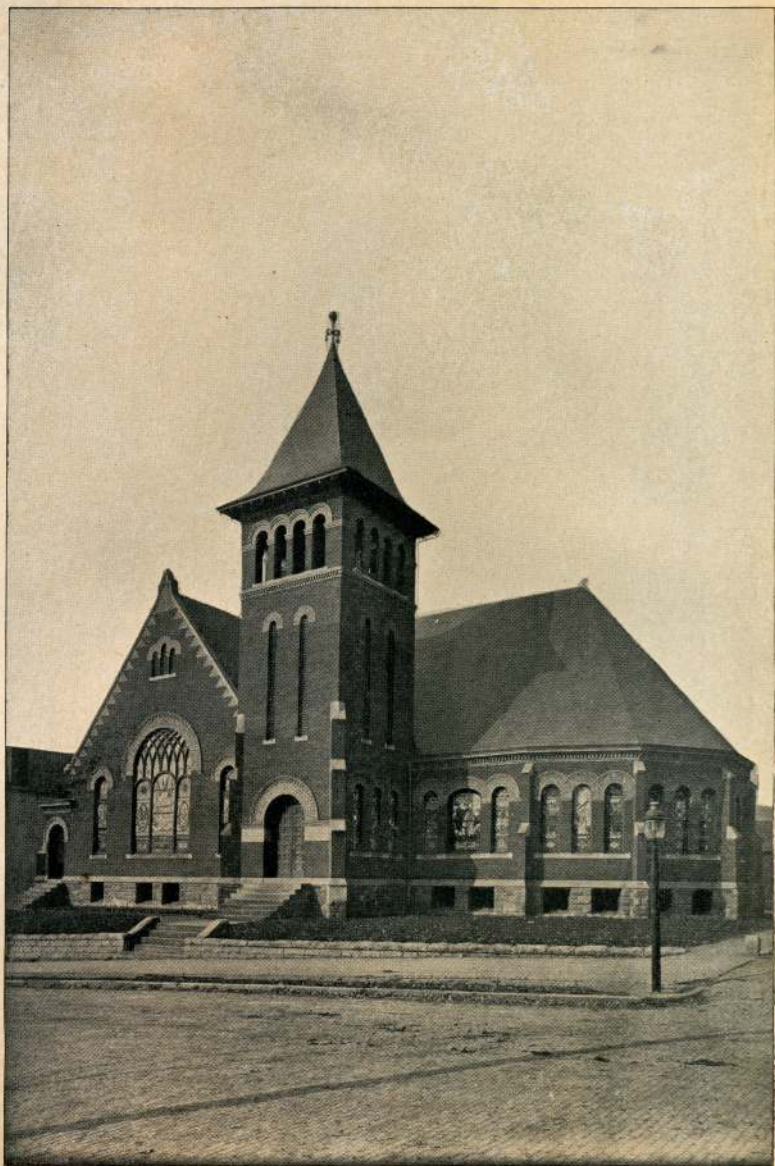
MONONGALIA COUNTY COURT HOUSE—A \$75,000 Structure.



EPISCOPAL HALL.



METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.



EPISCOPAL CHURCH.



LUTHERAN CHURCH.



CHRISTIAN CHURCH.



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Founded and Dedicated in 1850—Oldest Church in Morgantown.



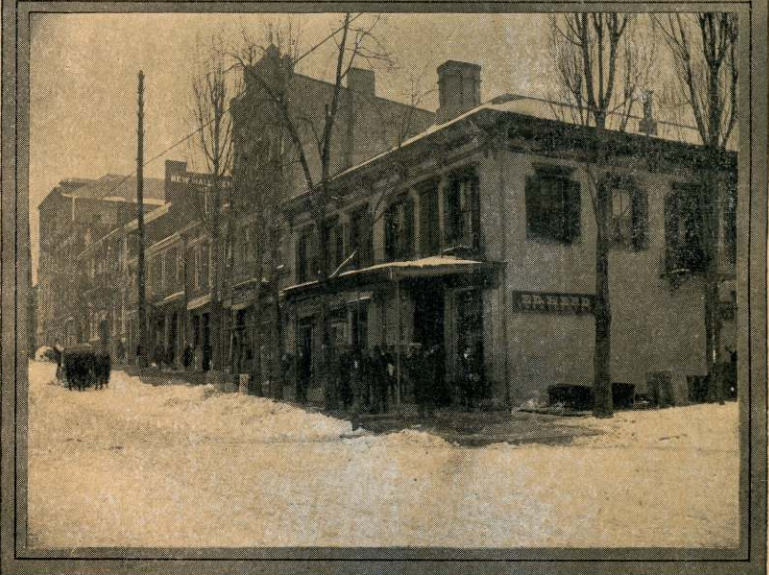
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.



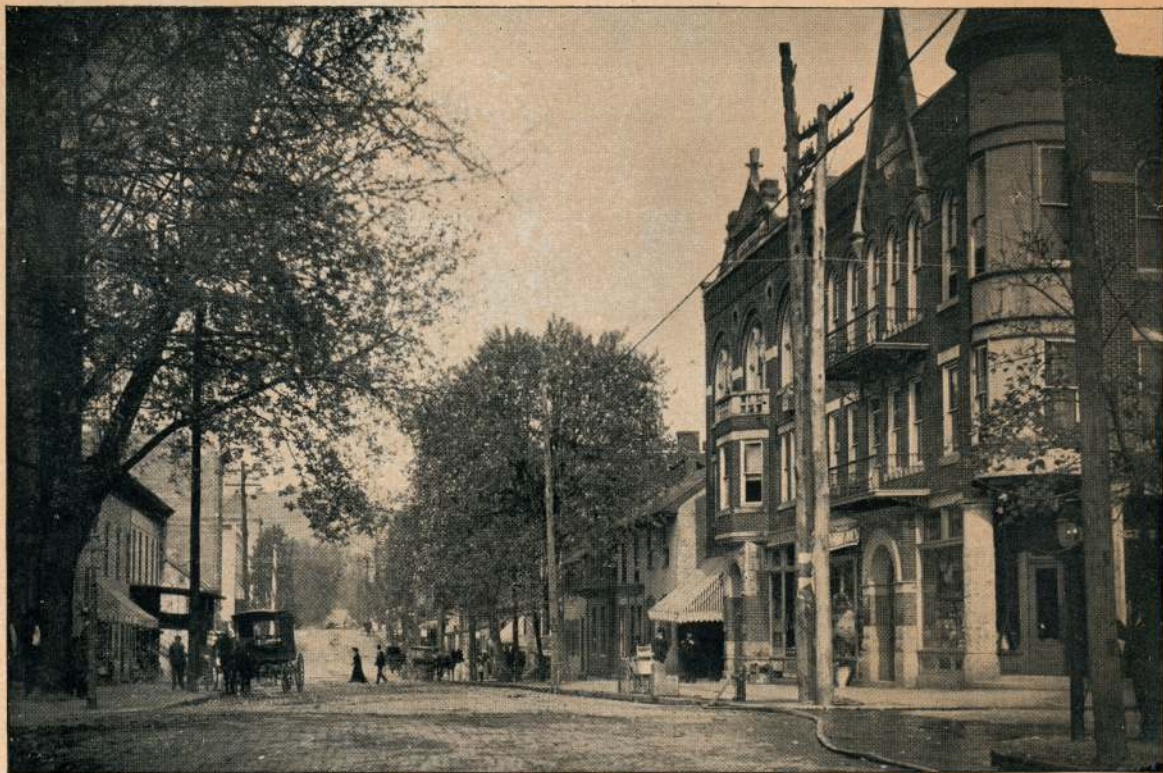
SQUIRREL ROCK, CHEAT RIVER



Old Post Printing Office—the Oldest Printery West of the Alleghenies, Established 1803.
A Fourteen-foot Fire Place, Carrico Building, Stood on Present Site I. O. O. F. Temple.
Old Franklin Hotel, Erected 1774—torn down 1895—site, present Franklin Hotel.



Franklin Hotel, Walnut Street.
Ed Herd's Corner, (Student's Haven), High and Walnut Streets.



CORNER PLEASANTS AND MAIN STREETS.



BANK OF MOMONGAHELA VALLEY—I. O. O. F. TEMPLE,



NEW WALLACE HOUSE—High Street.



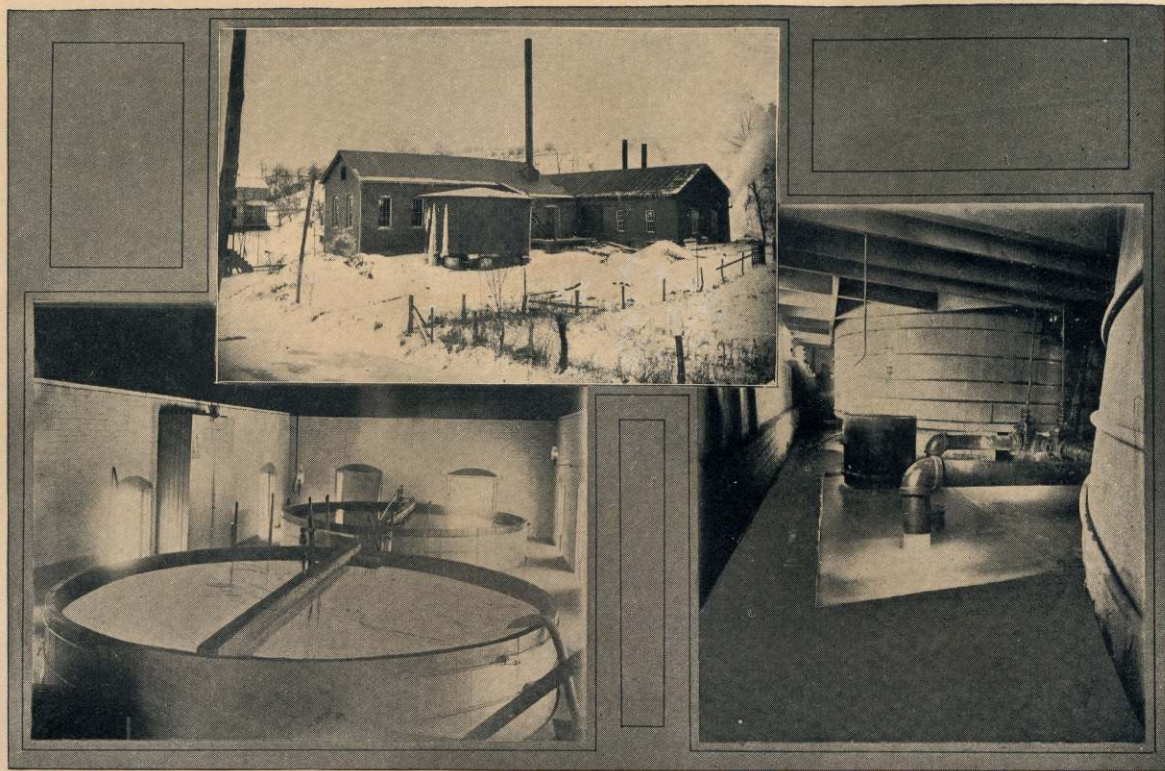
BROWN BUILDING,
Corner Walnut and Main Streets



STANDARD OIL COMPANY'S PUMPING STATION,
from which One Million Gallons of Crude Oil Leaves Daily.



UP CHEAT RIVER FROM CLUB HOUSE.



Union Gas and Water Company's Plant and Filters—Capacity, One Million Gallons Filtered Water Daily.



CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK—Corner Main and Walnut Streets.



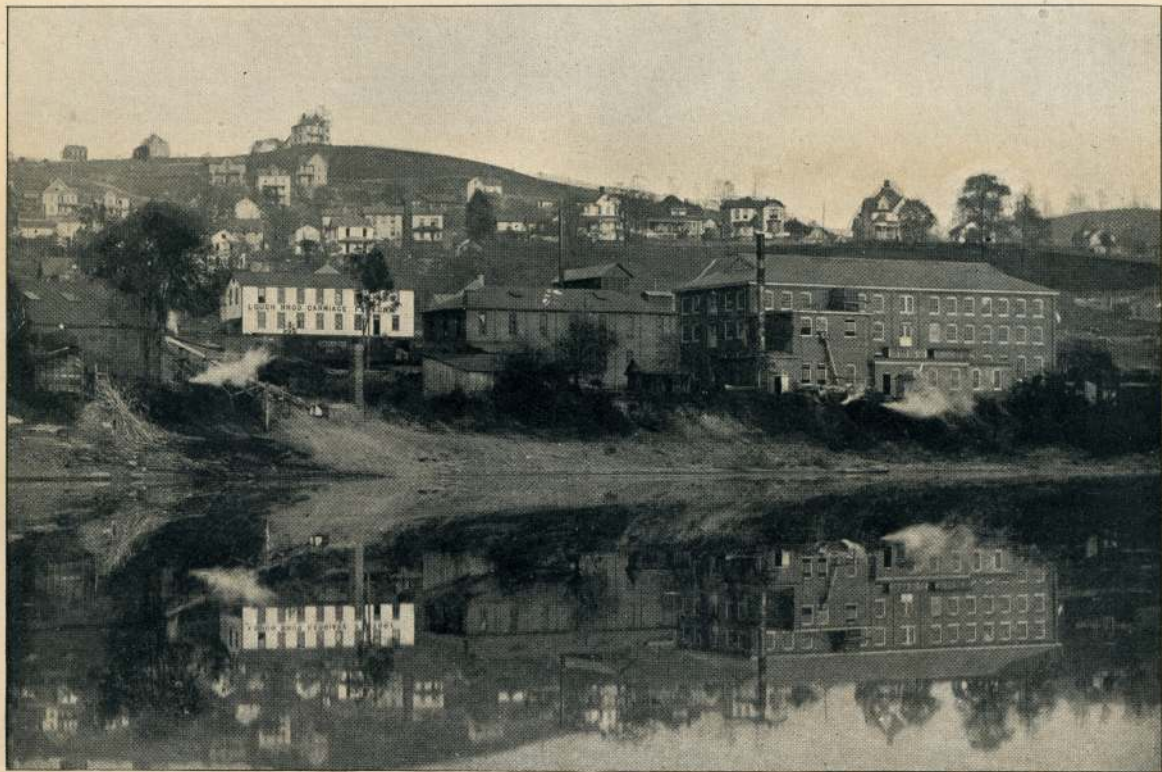
THE MANUFACTURING DISTRICT.

Morgantown Brick Works.

Jones Window Glass Works.

Seneca Glass Works.

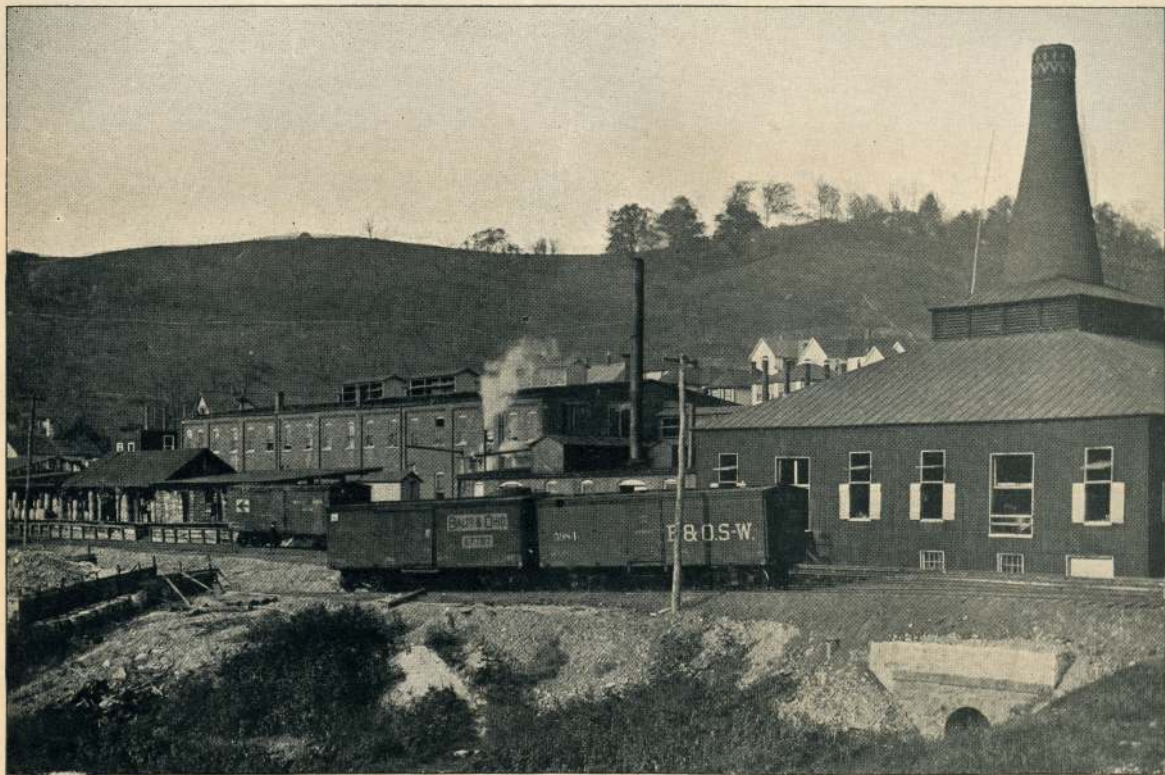
Morgantown Glass Works.



Lough Carriage Works.

MANUFACTURING DISTRICT.

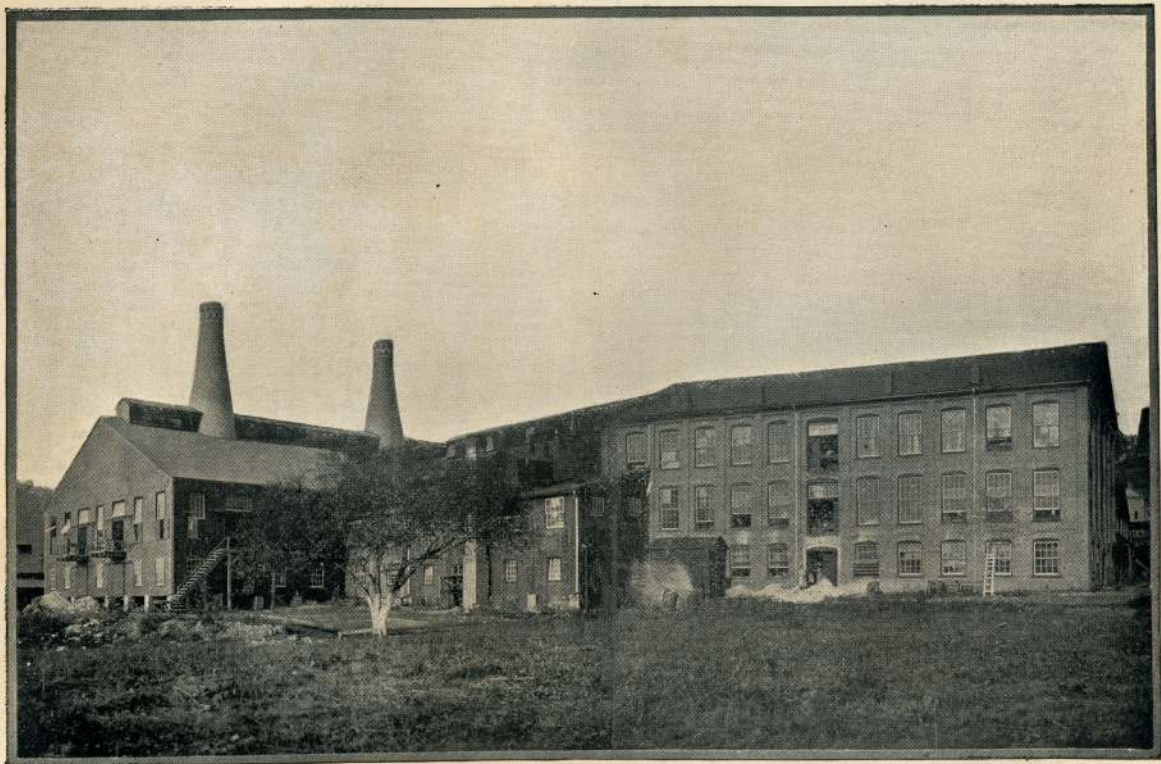
Monongahela Textile Co.—Fine Woolen Fabrics.



THE SENECA GLASS WORKS—Fine Lead Blown Bar and Table Ware.



MORGANTOWN BRICK CO.'S SHALE BRICK WORKS—Capacity, 30,000 Bricks Daily.



MORGANTOWN GLASS WORKS—All Kinds of Blown Glass.



MORGANTOWN BRICK COMPANY'S MUD BRICK WORKS, West Side—Capacity 40,000 Bricks Daily.



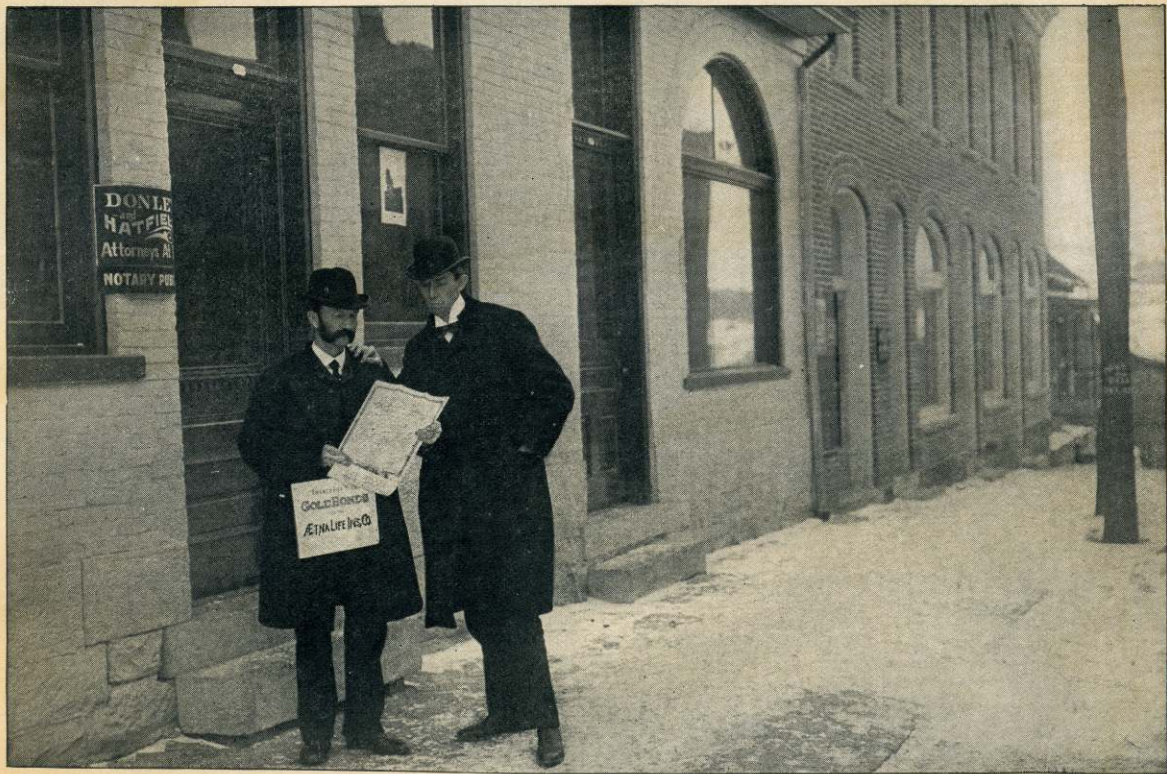
Residences of WM. H. MOORHEAD and FRANK COX, Corner Pleasants and Spruce Streets.



CREST OF DORSEY'S KNOB—Highest Point in Monongalia County.



DOWN CHEAT RIVER FROM CLUB HOUSE.



A SNAP SHOT ON CHANCERY ROW—It's All Right, There's Nothing Better than a Gold Bond Policy in the ÆTNA, Says Ed. W. McNeill, Special Agent.

